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SUBJECT: IGGI-16

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1. WE ARE CONCERNED OVER POSSIBLE JAPANESE UNWILLINGNESS TO PLEDGE AT IGGI-16. IN VIEW GOI ACCEPTANCE OF HARDER TERM FINANCING WITHIN IGGI FRAMEWORK (REPORTED REFTEL) AND SPIRIT OF COOPERATION EVIDENCED IN WITTE/GOI DISCUSSIONS, BELIEVE U.S. SHOULD ATTEMPT TO PERSUADE JAPANESE OF DESIRABILITY THEIR PLEDGE.

2. BECAUSE OF LARGE INCREASE IN IBRD/ADB CONTRIBUTION FOR 1974/75 WHICH IS LIKELY TO BE 300-350 MILLION DOLS IGGI-16 SHOULD BE ABLE EASILY SUPPORT 850 MILLION DOL REQUEST. U.S. WILL BE ABLE TO SAY AT IGGI-16 THAT OUR FIGURE IS 176 MILLION DOLS. (INCIDENTALLY THIS IS AT OR CLOSE TO ONE-THIRD OF TOTAL BILATERAL REQUEST.) EXIM LOANS (IF AND WHEN THEY COME ALONG) WOULD RAISE THAT TOTAL. IF
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IN FACT GOJ UNWILLING PLEDGE FOR REASONS GIVEN REFTEL,

BELIEVE WE SHOULD SUGGEST SIMILAR APPROACH TO JAPANESE, I.E. AT MINIMUM THEY COULD INDICATE TO MEMBERSHIP THAT THEY EXPECT TO PROVIDE ONE-THIRD OF BILATERAL TOTAL. THIS WOULD AVOID THEIR BEING ONES RESPONSIBLE FOR FAILURE TO

MEET 850 MILLION DOL. TARGET. EVEN A STATEMENT THAT GOES ONLY THIS FAR WOULD PERMIT GOI TO ANNOUNCE AT CONCLUSION OF IGGI-16 THAT REQUESTED LEVEL OF 850 MILLION DOLS HAD BEEN REACHED. ALTHOUGH DESIRABLE, IT NOT ESSENTIAL THAT JAPANESE INDICATE EXACT AMOUNT OF PLEDGE OR PORTION OF THEIR CONTRIBUTION WHICH MIGHT BE ON HARDER TERMS.

3. IF EMBASSY JAKARTA CONCURS, CABLE WASHINGTON AND TOKYO SIMULTANEOUSLY. APPROACHES TO JAPANESE GOVERNMENT SHOULD BE MADE, BOTH HERE AND TOKYO.

4. FOR TOKYO: FOLLOWING JAKARTA CONCURRENCE PLEASE CONVEY ABOVE PROPOSAL TO APPROPRIATE GOJ OFFICIAL. RUSH

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